**21. MARCH. 2021. 1st. SUNDAY OF GREAT LENT. TONE – 8.**

 **TRIUMPH OF ORTHODOXY. LITURGY OF ST. BASIL THE GREAT.**

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**TROPAR OF SUNDAY IN TONE – 8.**

 You descended from on high, O Merciful One. You accepted the three-day burial to free us from our passions. Our life and resurrection; O Lord, Glory to You.

**TROPAR OF TRIODON IN TONE-2.**

 We venerate Your most pure image, O Good One, asking Your forgiveness of our transgressions, O Christ God. In Your good will it pleased You to ascend the Cross in the flesh, to deliver from enslavement to the enemy those whom You had fashioned. Therefore, we cry unto You in thanksgiving: You have filled all things with joy, O Saviour, for You have come to save the world.

**GLORY** to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages. Amen.

**KONDAK OF THE TRIODON IN TONE -8.**

 The uncircumscribed Word of the Father became circumscribed, taking flesh from You, O Theotokos. And He has restored the tarnished image to its ancient glory, filling it with divine beauty. We confess this our salvation in word and deed.

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**MATINS:** John: 8. Reading 64. Jn. 20 : 11 - 18.

**EPISTLE:** Hebrews. Reading 329. Heb. 11 : 24 - 26, 32 - 12 : 2.

**GOSPEL:** John. Reading 5. Jn. 1 : 43 - 51.

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**COMMUNION VERSE:**

“ Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest. Alleluia.”

“ Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous; praise befits the upright. Alleluia.”

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**INSTEAD OF “ IT IS TRULY WORTHY WE SING:**

 “ All of creation rejoices in you, O Full of Grace, the assembly of angels and the race of men. O sanctified temple and spiritual paradise, the glory of virgins, from whom God was incarnate and became a child – our God before the ages. He made your body into a throne, and your womb He made more spacious than the heavens. All of creation rejoices in you, O Full of Grace. Glory to you!

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**PRIEST** : “ Wisdom.”

**READER : “ PROKIMEN IN TONE – 4.** Blessed are You, Lord God of our Fathers,

 and praised and glorified is Your Name to the ages.”

**CHOIR :** “ Blessed are You, Lord God of our Fathers, and praised and glorified

 is Your Name to the ages.”

**READER : VERSE:** “ For You are righteous in all that You have done for us.”

**CHOIR :** “ Blessed are You, Lord God of our Fathers, and praised and glorified

 is Your Name to the ages.”

**READER :** “ Blessed are You, Lord God of our Fathers.”

**CHOIR :** “ And praised and glorified is Your Name to the ages.”

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**THE EPISTLE**

**PRIEST** : “ Let us be attentive.”

**READER** : “ ( reads the designated epistle ).”

**PRIEST** : “ Peace be unto you reader.”

**READER** : “ And to your spirit.”

**PRIEST** : “ Wisdom.”

**READER : “ ALLELUIA IN TONE – 4.** Alleluia.”

**CHOIR :** “ Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.”

**READER :** “ Moses and Aaron are among His priests and Samuel among those

 who call upon His Name. Alleluia.”

**CHOIR :** “ Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.”

**READER :** “ They called upon the Lord and He heard them. Alleluia.”

**CHOIR :** “ Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.”

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